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Whether people actually learn something from ~~their~~ psychotherapeutic treatments is a question. They do get something but does that something amount to more in a person's living than the ~~absolution~~ does in his dying? Most people who receive absolution are in a state of not knowing what is going on though they are being told. ~~And so it is also with the living who are told and who for the moment are convinced because they are desperate and so want to be convinced, who want to be free at any price from their troubles.~~ But this conviction, this absolution, is not really the ~~lightening~~ ^{opening up} of the way for the intellect to go forward, but only an encouraging of the personality to resume its normal activities, with a little less disturbance in ~~its~~ ^{the} consciousness, with a little less questioning as to what is going on, with a little less responsiveness ^{or} in its inner speech, or, on the other hand, with a great deal of exaggerated questioning and exeageratedly ready answers. During the course of their treatment, they are already analyzing everyone.. It is a great thing and they have much fun with the toy they have found. They are ready to convert everybody to psycho-analysis like the enthusiastic ^{missionary} ~~minister~~ who will convert ^{any + every one} anybody whether ^{previously} ~~already~~ converted or not.

Until something happens, until the cavities from which the mental ghosts have been extracted begin to show new signs of teeth. Then the converting patient runs back to the confessor-psychologist.

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